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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Yoshiichi Horikoshi et al.

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Art Unit: 2879

For: DISCHARGE LAMP, METHOD FOR  
MANUFACTURING THE DISCHARGE LAMP  
ELECTRODE, AND LIGHTING SYSTEM (as  
amended)

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Examiner: N. K. WALFORD

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.